INDUSTRY SECTOR SUMMARIES

This section presents business data including the number, type, size, and sales of businesses. Sources for the data presented in this section include *County Business Patterns* and other reports published by the U.S. Census Bureau, with additional data from state agencies. Much of the data in this section is being published on the basis of the North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS) for the first time. Earlier editions were published under the Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) system. For information on NAICS and changes from the SIC system, go to www.census.gov/epcd/www/naics.html.

Data in this section may be listed for **business firms** or **business establishments**. A firm is generally defined as a business organization under single management and may include one or more establishments, while an establishment is a single physical location at which business is conducted.

County Business Patterns – This annual series provides county level industry data based on the North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS). County Business Patterns data prior to 1998 were published according to the Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) system. The series excludes data on self-employment, employees of private households, railroad employees, agricultural production employees, and most government employees. For more information on County Business Patterns, go to www.census.gov/epcd/cbp/view/cbpview.html.

Annual Survey of Manufactures – The Annual Survey of Manufactures reports data for the years not covered by the Census of Manufactures. Data are estimates based on a selected sample of establishments listed in the Census of Manufactures. Data includes value of shipments and value added by manufacture. Value added by manufacture is considered to be the best measure available for comparing the relative economic importance of manufacturing among industries and geographic areas. It is derived by subtracting the cost of materials, supplies, containers, fuel, purchased electricity, and contract work from the value of shipments for products manufactured plus receipts for services rendered. The result of this calculation is then adjusted by the addition of value added by merchandising operations plus the net change in finished goods and work-in-process inventories between the beginning and end of the year.

Agricultural Statistics data are taken from *Kentucky Agricultural Statistics* 1997 – 1998 prepared by the Kentucky Agricultural Statistics Service (ph: 502-582-5293 or 1-800-928-5277). More detailed information is available from *Kentucky Agricultural Statistics* and online at the Kentucky Agricultural Statistics Service homepage: www.nass.usda.gov/ky/

Mineral Production is available at the state level for nonfuel mineral production from the U.S. Geological Survey on CD-ROM (ph: 202-512-2250) or through MINES FaxBack at 703-648-4999. Coal production data for Kentucky counties is released by the Kentucky Department of Mines and Minerals (ph: 502-573-0140) and is available on their web site at: www.caer.uky.edu/kdmm/homepage.htm

The U.S. Energy Administration's home page at www.eia.doe.gov/ provides the U.S. and state production data for coal, petroleum and natural gas appearing in this publication. Users should be aware that the Kentucky Department of Mines and Minerals' and U.S. Department of Energy's coal data might differ due to collection procedures. The Kentucky Department of Mines and Minerals' data are based on annual surveys of licensed coalmine operators in the state, and is the most reliable source of county data. The U.S. Department of Mine and Minerals' data are useful for state comparisons.